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A digital preemphasizer that provides a means for high fidelity reconstruction, i.e. low, acceptable bit error-rate, of an original pulse code modulation (PCM) serial stream binary data signal which has suffered degradation of fidelity, and consequent increase in bit-error-rate, during transmission on a single channel from a transmitter to a receiver, connected to each other by a transmission line exhibiting both resistive and frequency dependent loss. This is accomplished prior to transmission by amplitude encoded digital pre-emphasis of each bit of the original binary data signal to be transmitted in such manner as to mitigate or remedy the signal degrading frequency dependent losses concomitant with the signal transfer network characteristics of the fixed transmission line. Subsequent to this pre-emphasis process, the amplitude encoded signal is transmitted to the receiver connected to the other end of the fixed transmission line. Compared to a conventional transmitter, transmission line, and receiver system, the end result of amplitude encoded pre-emphasis is superior reconstructed fidelity and quality of the PCM waveform, i.e. lower bit-error-rate, at the output of the receiver for the same length of transmission line or, alternatively, a longer transmission line for the same

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION